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In the subject application (10/643,390) the United States Patent Office granted a filing date effective 8/18/2003. The United States Patent Office issued a first office action rejecting all claims. The office action objected to the form of Information Disclosure. Claims 1-4, 6 and 7 were rejected as anticipated pursuant to 35 USC 102(e) and Claims 5 and 8 were rejected as unpatentable over the Hailey application in view of the Dauer. This reply addresses the rejection of Claims 1-8, proposes amendments to the Claims and includes a proper Information Disclosure.